

SCHOOL UNION 76

BROOKLIN – DEER ISLE-STONINGTON CSD – SEDGWICK

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“Public Schools not only serve the public, they make the public.”

Superintendent’s Memo

To: SU 76 Parents & Guardians
From: Christian M. Elkington
Re: Delivery of Learning Bags and Breakfast & Lunch
Date: 3-17-2020

We are moving into uncharted territories with remote (at home) learning and the delivering of breakfast and lunch tomorrow. The staff of SU 76 has worked hard over the last week to get ready. There will be bumps along the way, but you have my word that we will learn from these bumps and with our effort and your patience we will get better at what we do for our students each and every day! I hope you will be as proud as I am of the efforts that each of our schools’ staff are making. We are now on a new Remote Learning adventure, which will adjust and improve as needed.

The most important ways we will help each other is by:

- Being good listeners.
- Asking questions when needed.
- Being patient as we work through difficulties.
- Being problem-solvers not problem-blamers.
- Helping each other use any Lemons that we experience to make Lemonade!

Deliveries will start tomorrow:

- With buses loading at each of our schools between 8:00 – 8:30 am.
- And will be made to homes between 8:30 – 10:00 am. **We ask that you allow us to follow proper Social Distancing (6-8 ft. between people), by allowing us to drop off Learning Bags along with breakfast and lunch at your door or vehicle and not through hand-offs. Thanks very much!**
- And will consist of the first Learning Bags and breakfast & lunch for the day.
- After Wednesday’s first delivery we will see how it goes, then determine what adjustments need to be made and what time you should expect deliveries for the rest of the week. At this time, our plan is to deliver breakfast and lunch daily.

Remote Learning starts when?

- For DISHS Students in grades 8-12 tomorrow, Wednesday, March 18th.
- For PreK-8 Students in Brooklin and Sedgwick, Thursday, March 19th.
- For K-7 Students at DISES, Thursday, March 19th.

- Discussions are on-going as to when completed, Learning Bag lessons for our younger students will be picked-up from home. We are looking at the possibility of two days a week when we are delivering breakfast and lunch, but have not yet made a firm decision. **More information will be put out in the coming days from each School's Principal and will be based on what each school determines is best for them.**
- For students in grades 8-12, many lessons for completion are being sent through Google Classroom and expectations and due dates will either be sent through Google Classroom and/or email from teachers.

What is my child's school day and when will staff be available?

- The teaching and support staff day will run from 8:30 am – 3:00 pm Monday – Friday.
- Staff will be contacting students in support of their academic needs during this time. Several teachers and support staff have already set up specific schedules to contact and work with their students. More will follow. **If you and your son or daughter have not heard about a contact schedule with your child's teacher(s) by this Thursday, please contact your Building Principal.**

If there is a problem with any delivery tomorrow please contact your school's Admin Assistant and Principal immediately. Thanks very much!

I want to thank everyone in advance for each and every positive effort which will be made in the days and weeks ahead!